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RESPONSE to REQUIREMENT of RESTRICTION, AMENDMENT, and REMARKS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 8, 2007, in the above-identified application, Applicants elect a single species for further prosecution on the merits and present the amendments and remarks beginning on the following page in complete response thereto. First, to expedite prosecution of this case, Applicants elect, without traverse, the invention of species C for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 17, and 19 are readable on species C. Accordingly, Applicants have withdrawn claims 8, 11, and 13-16.

In addition, to improve the form of the claims and to conform with US claims practice, Applicants amend claims 17 and 19 as indicated in the attached Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Applicants' amended claims are now in condition for allowance or, alternatively, serve to present the claims in better form for consideration on appeal. No new matter is added, and each of the amendments finds full support in the claims, specification, or drawings as filed. As such, consideration of the claims on the merits is respectfully requested. Early and favorable action is further requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.